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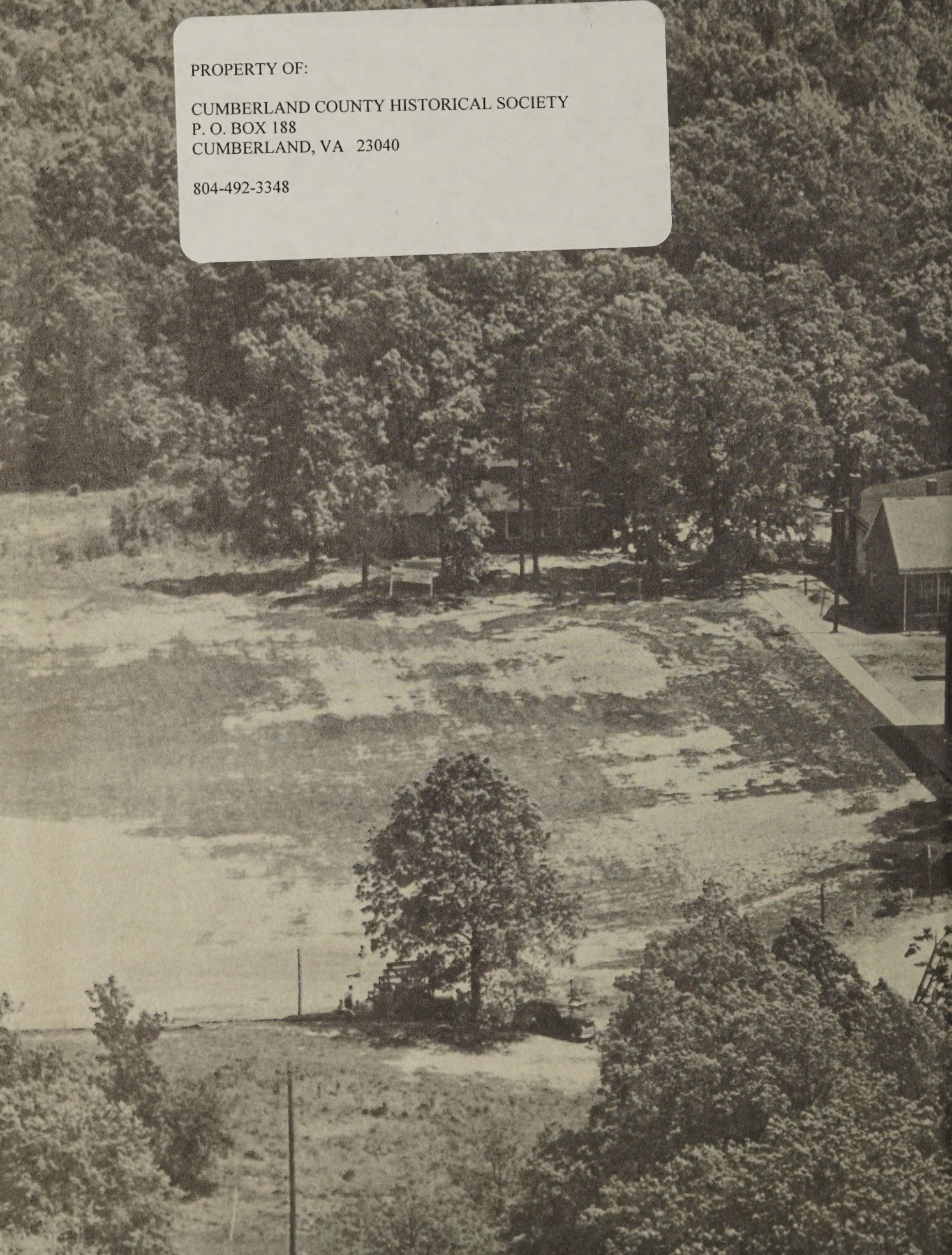

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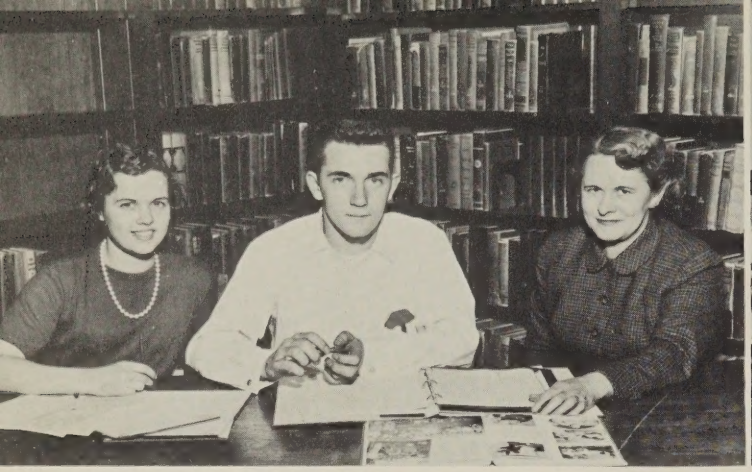
Because your integrity of character, interest, and guidance have inspired us toward the higher things of life and helped to make us better students and better citizens, we dedicate, with deepest love and esteem, the 1956 DUKE to you, Mrs. Dorothy Putney.

FOREWORD

As you glance through this book in the years to come, it is our hope that the echoes of our school life, with all its happy moments, will begin again.



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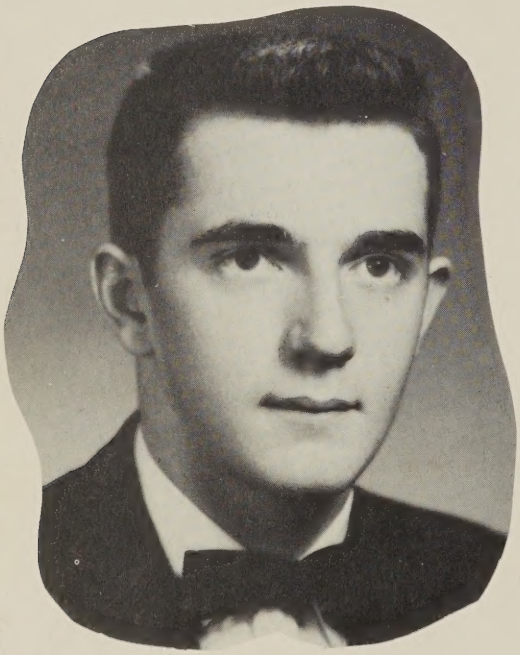

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Lloyd Martin	Business Manager
David Newton	Assistant
Dorthy Guthrie	Distribution Editor
Mary Vogel	Assistant
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Frances Miles	Typist
Miss Parker	Sponsor

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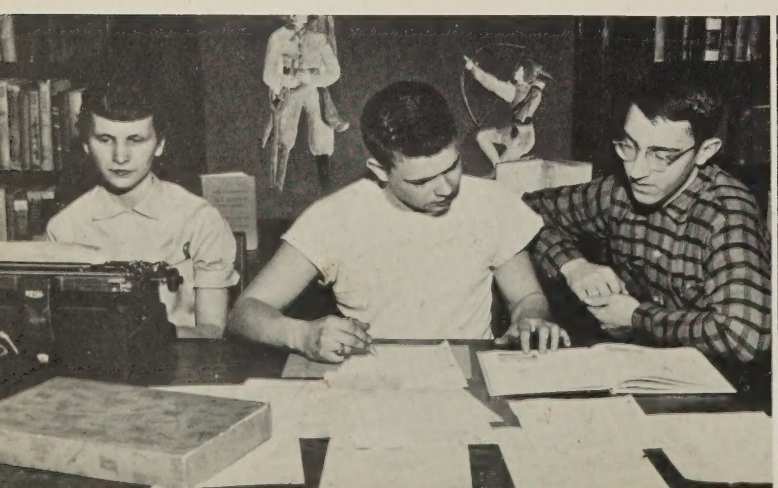

LEFT TO RIGHT: Dot Guthrie, Mary Vogel.

Lloyd Martin, PRESIDENT

STANDING: Louise Johns, Secretary; Alan Elgin, Treasurer.
SEATED: Lloyd Martin, President; Mrs. Gilmer, Sponsor; Jack Newman, Vice-President.

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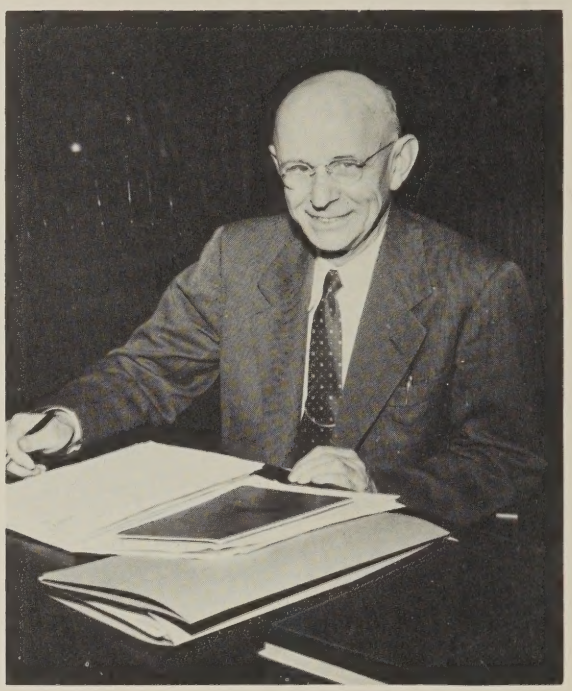

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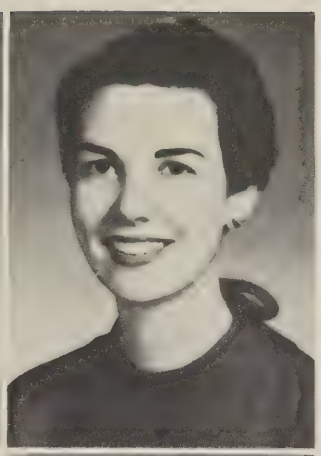

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L. D. RORRER
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LOLITA COX SMITH
B. S., Woman's College, University of North Carolina
M. A., Teacher's College, Columbia University, Longwood College

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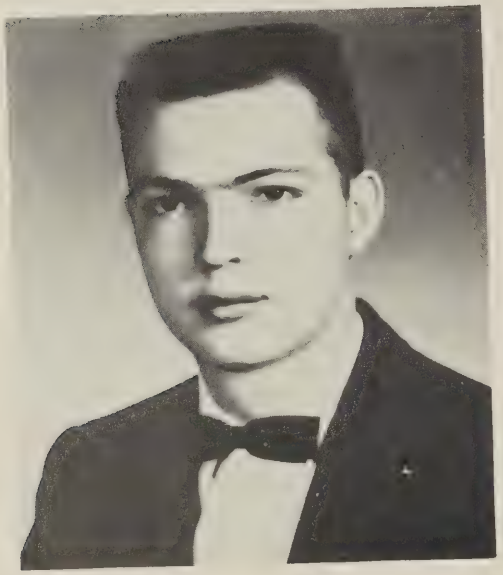

JACOB TAYLOR NEWMAN
"Jack"

Favorite Pastime: Baseball and dancing. Ambition: To live a happy life. Activities: Class Vice-President 4, President 5; S.C.A. Vice-President 5; F.F.A. 2,3,4,5, Crop Judging Team 3,4,5, Forestry Judging Team 4,5; Baseball 1,2,3,4,5; Basketball 3.

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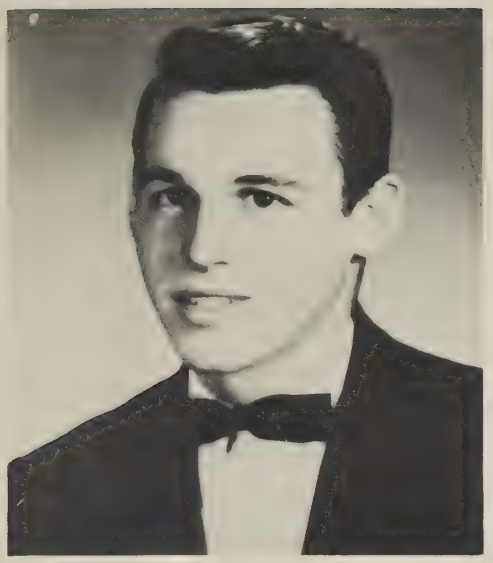
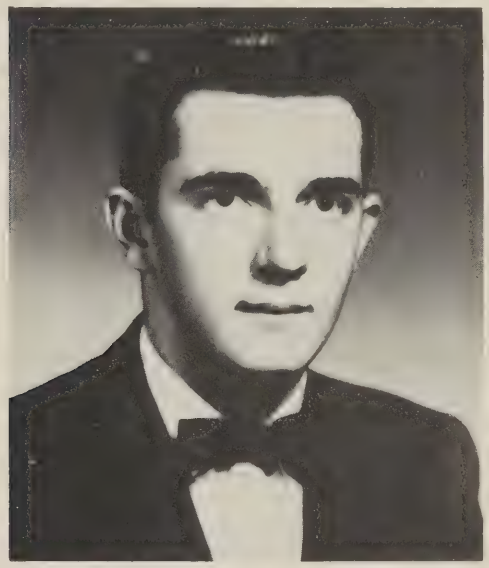


THOMAS TAYLOR AGEE
"Smokestack"
Favorite Pastime: Dating, eating, and sleeping. Ambition: To graduate from college and become a successful dairy farmer. Activities: F.F.A. 2, 3, 5; Dramatic Club 3, 5; Library Club 4, 5, Vice-President 5.

SENIORS

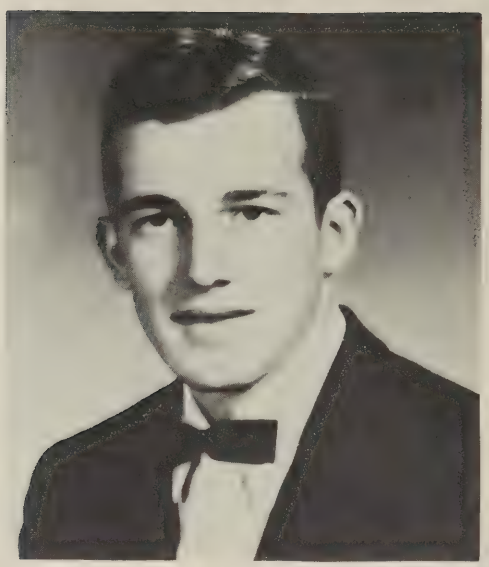
ARLINE BELL CROCKETT
"Pat"
Favorite Pastime: Riding and going to movies. Ambition: To succeed in whatever I undertake. Activities: Glee Club 3, 4, 5; 4H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3, 5; Beta Club 4, 5; Treasurer 4, 5; Dramatic Club 4; Annual Staff 5; F.H.A. 4, 5; Art Club 4.

IRVINE MARSHALL BAKER III
"Degone"
Favorite Pastime: Dating Janice. Ambition: To become a mechanical engineer. Activities: F.F.A. 2; Dramatic Club 3; Assistant Editor of Annual 4, Editor-in-chief 5; Library Club 5, Secretary 5.



MARIAN ANNETTA BALDWIN
"Baldy"
Favorite Pastime: Driving, dancing, and being with Paul. Ambition: To have all the time in the world to do what I want to do. Activities: F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Secretary 5; Beta Club 4, 5, Reporter 5; Library Club 2, 3, 4; 4H Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4, 5; Annual Staff 5; Class Reporter 1, Secretary 5.

FLORENCE LUCILLE DOWDY
"Good Deal, Lucille"
Favorite Pastime: Dancing and traveling. Ambition: To understand men. Activities: 4H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Glee Club 3, 4, 5; Dramatic Club 4, 5; Library Club 2, 3, 4.

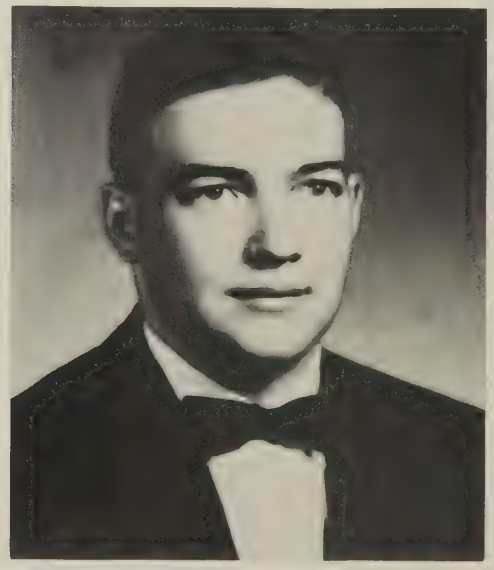


MARSHALL EDWIN DAVIS
"Ed"
Favorite Pastime: Dating, dancing, and hunting. Ambition: To get an A on government. Activities: F. F. A. 2, 3, 4, 5; Library Club 3; Dramatic Club 3.

SENIORS

PEGGY ANN FORD
"Peg-leg"
Favorite Pastime: Eating and riding. Ambition: To work in Richmond. Activities: 4H Club 1, 2; Glee Club 5; Student Council 3, 5; Softball 4, 5; F. H. A. 4, 5; Dramatic Club 5; Beta Club 4, 5.

WALTER ALAN ELGIN
"Algin Elgin"
Favorite Pastime: Dancing, dating, and eating. Ambition: To become a millionaire. Activities: Baseball 2, 3, 4, 5; Basketball 3; F. F. A. 2, 3, 4, 5, Crop Judging Team 2; Class Vice-President 5; S. C. A. Treasurer 5.



DOROTHY JUANITA GUTHRIE
"Dot"
Favorite Pastime: Traveling and eating. Ambition: To become a fashion model. Activities: F.H.A. 2,3,4,5; Class Reporter 1,2,3,4,5; Library Club 5; Beta Club 4,5, Secretary 5; 4H Club 1,2,3; Annual Staff 4,5; Girls' State 4; Dramatic Club 5.

MARY ALICE GLENN
"Bat"
Favorite Pastime: Dancing, eating, and going to the movies. Ambition: To go to Europe. Activities: 4H Club 2; Glee Club 5; Library Club 2; Annual Staff 5; Dramatic Club 5.

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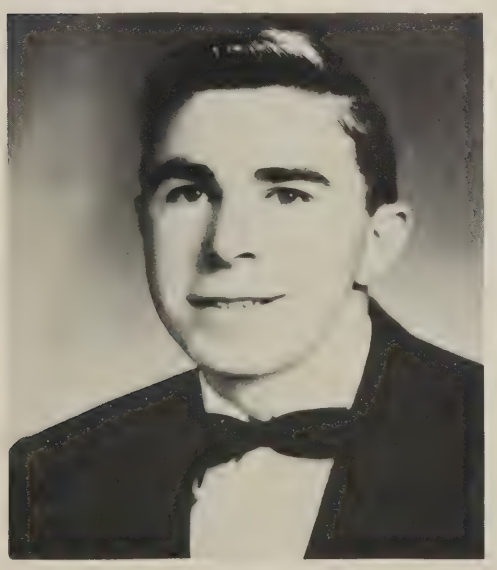
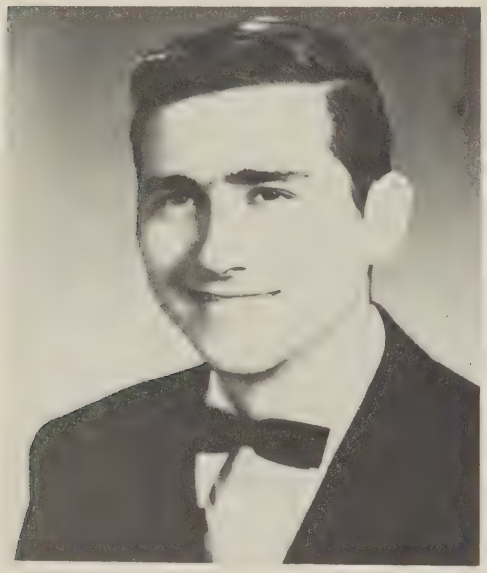
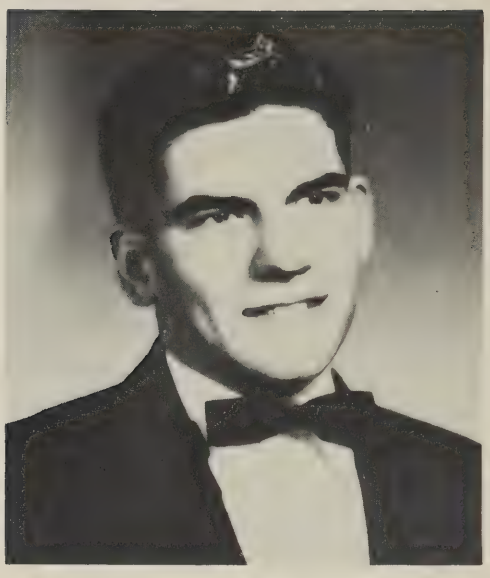
ROBERT HERNDON
"Bob"
Favorite Pastime: Playing a guitar. Ambition: To go to college. Activities: F.F.A. 2,3,4,5.



FRANCES BELLE HERNDON
"Frances"
Favorite Pastime: Listening to classical music, cooking, reading, and writing. Ambition: To finish high school.

HENRY CLAY LATHAM
"Lacy"
Favorite Pastime: Eating, sleeping, and running around. Ambition: To finish school, get started in life, and live happily. Activities: F.F.A. 2,3,4,5, Treasurer 4, President 5; 4H Club 2,3; Class President 3.





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"Nathan"
Favorite Pastime: Driving. Ambition: To become a salesman. Activities: F. F. A. 2,3,4,5.

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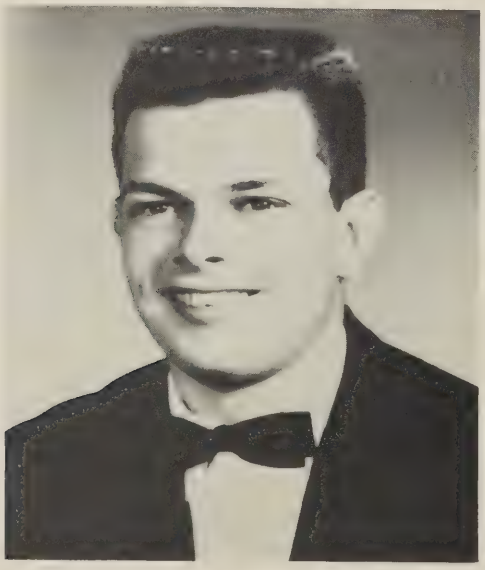
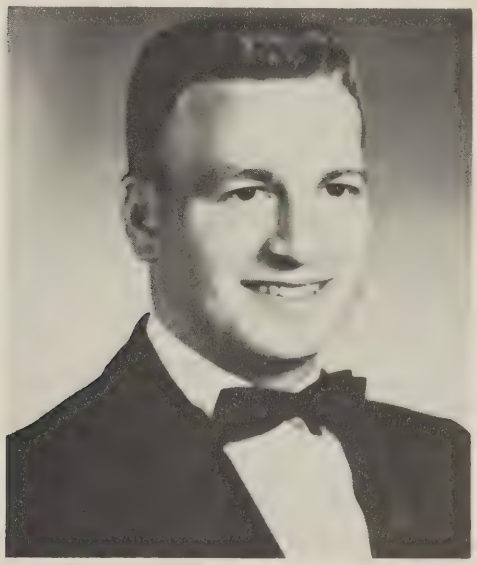


LLOYD ALLEN MARTIN, JR.
"Dooney"
Favorite Pastime: Dating Edith. Ambition: To be a Ford dealer. Activities: F.F.A. 2,3,4,5; Baseball 3,4,5; Class Secretary 4; Powhatan Football Team 2,3; Powhatan Band 1,2,3; Annual Staff 4,5; S.C.A. President 5.

CURTIS JOHN MARION
"Curtis"
Favorite Pastime: Watching sports. Ambition: To have the future turnout as I foresee it now. Activities: Student Council 1,4; Class Vice-President 4, President 4; F.F.A. 2,3,4,5.

CORA FRANCES MILES
"Kinky"
Favorite Pastime: Eating, driving, and watching television. Ambition: To live a happy married life. Activities: 4H Club 1, 2; Art Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 5; F. H. A. 1, 2; Beta Club 4, 5; Annual Staff 5.

RICHARD FRANKLIN MATTHEWS
"Dick"
Favorite Pastime: Dating and dancing. Ambition: To hit the target I'm aiming at. Activities: F. F. A. 2, 3, 4, 5, Treasurer 5; Class Treasurer 5.



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EDWARD HERNDON ROBERTSON, JR.
"Ed"
Favorite Pastime: Swimming. Ambition: To become a civil engineer. Activities: F. F. A. 2, 3, 5, Degree Team 2, 3, Crop Judging Team 3, Forestry Judging Team 5, Federation Reporter 5, Vice-President 5; Beta Club 4, 5, President 5; Boys' State 4; Class Treasurer 4; Baseball 3, 4, 5; Annual Staff 5.

SHIRLEY ANN PALMORE
"Pee Wee"
Favorite Pastime: Dancing and driving. Ambition: To become Elvis Presley's private secretary. Activities: Glee Club 5; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4, 5; 4H Club 1, 2; Student Council 5; Library Club 2, 5; Dramatic Club 5.

JUNIORS

Ruth Asal

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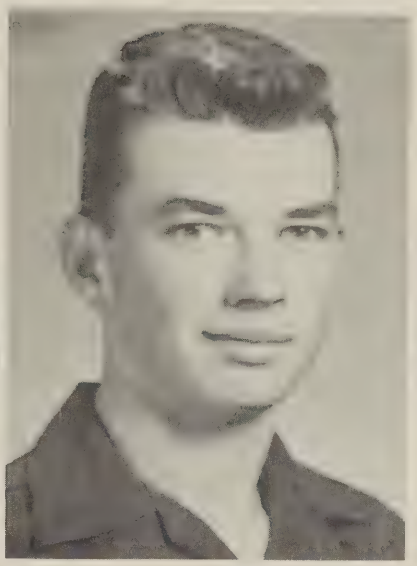

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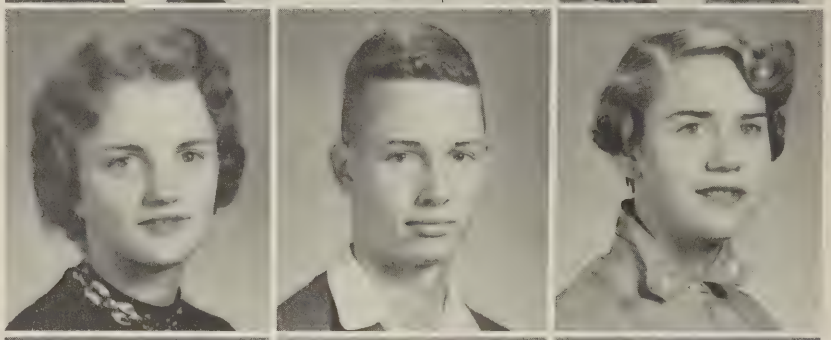

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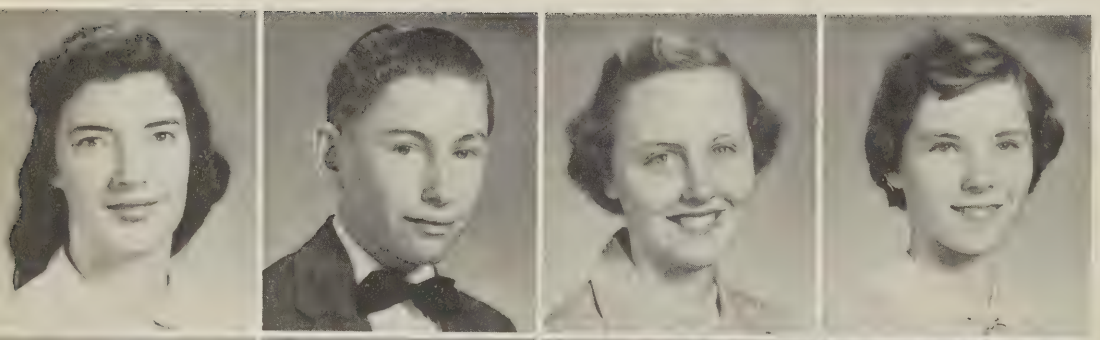

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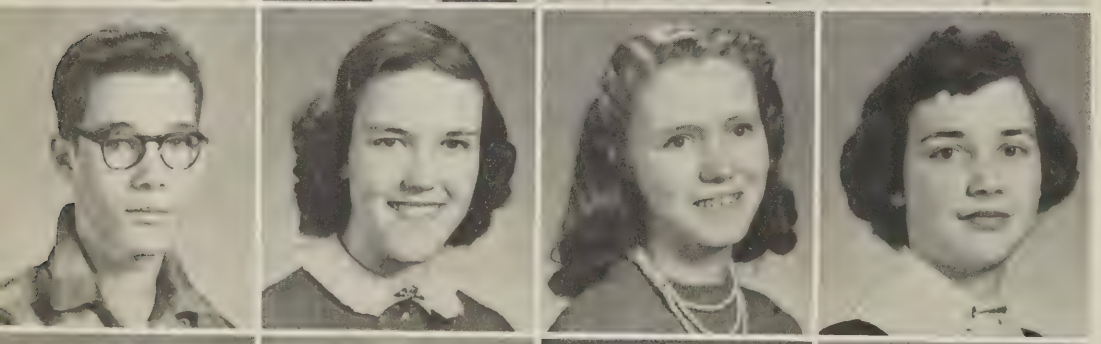

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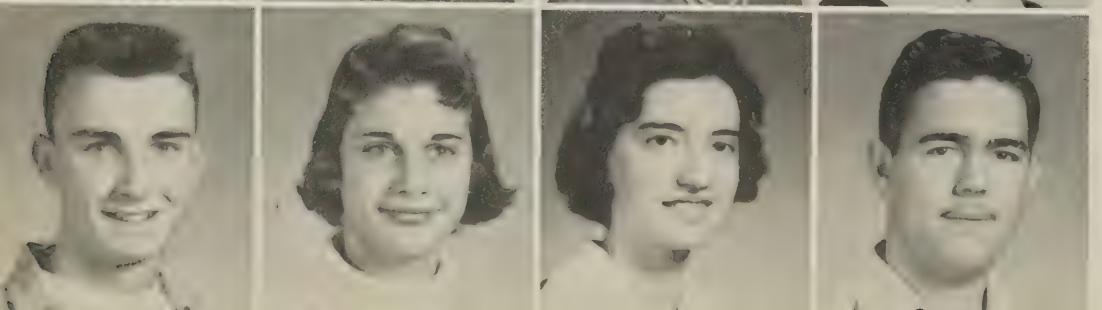

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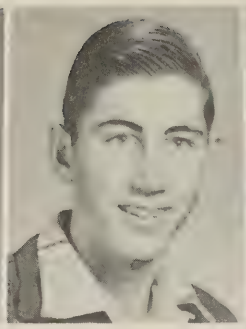
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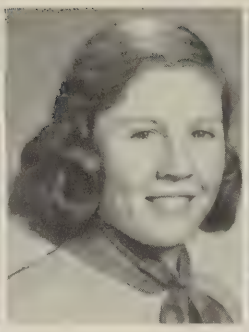
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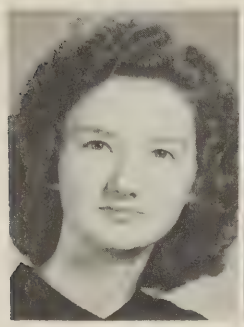
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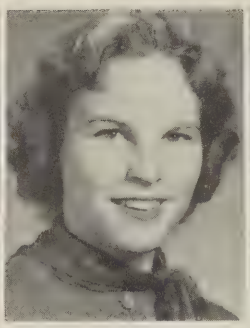
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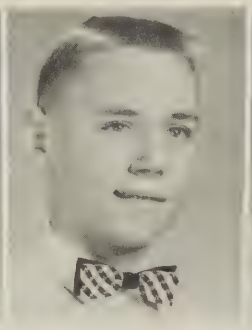
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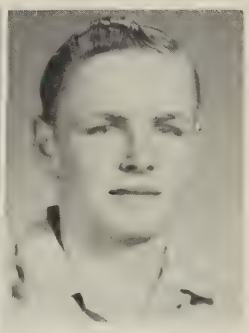
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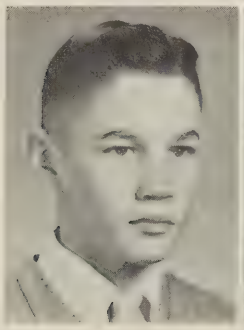
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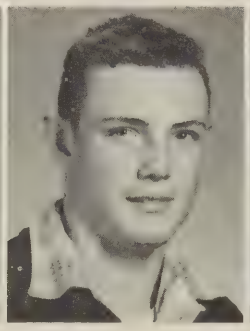
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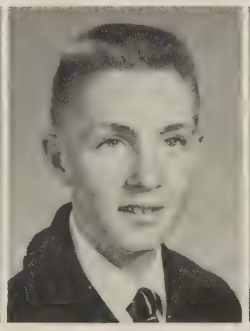
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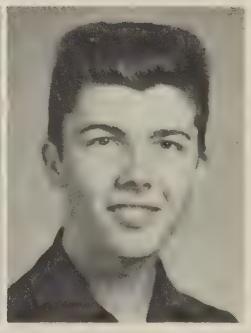
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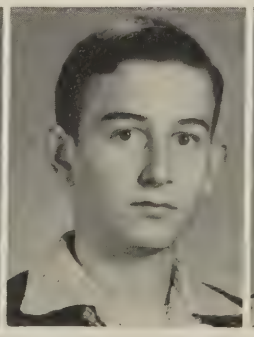
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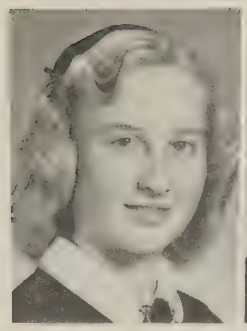

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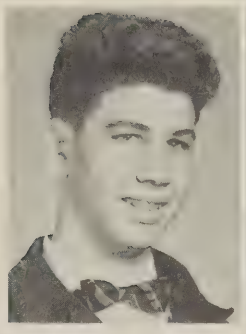

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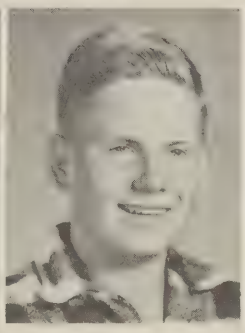

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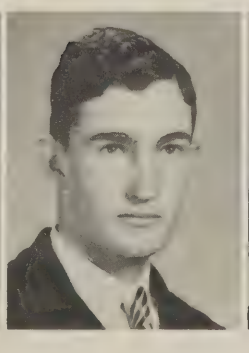
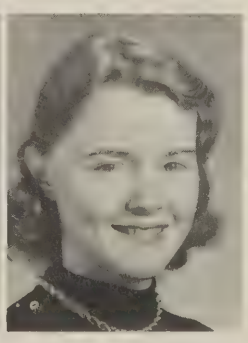

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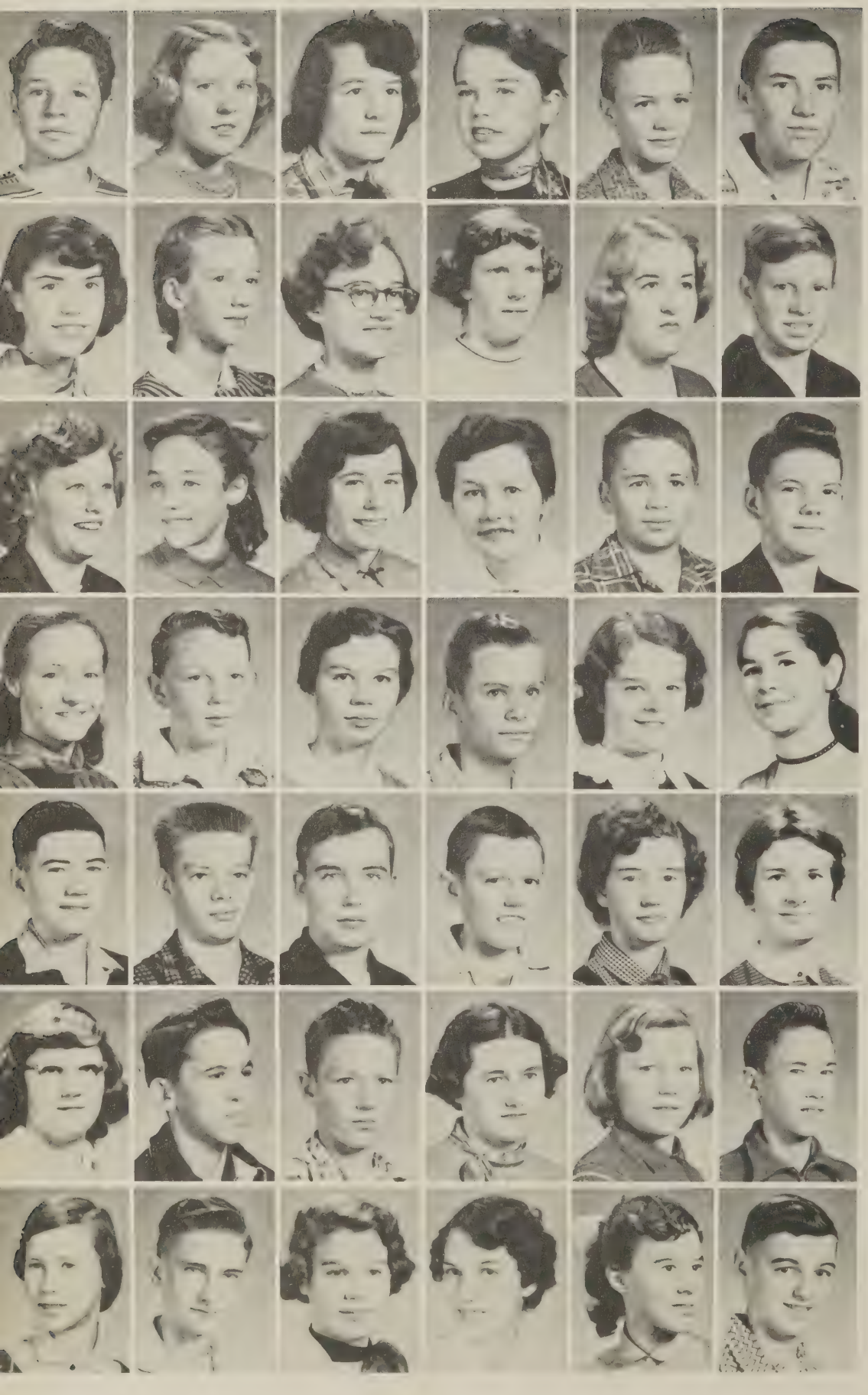

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Jimmie Davis

Patricia Dowdy
Patsy Gamage
Betty Sue Garnett
Margaret Garris
Coleman Goodman
Melvin Guthrie

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Matilda Heath
James Hedrick
Gail Jones
Garland Jones
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Vergie McAbee

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Susan Pepper

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Billy Rousch
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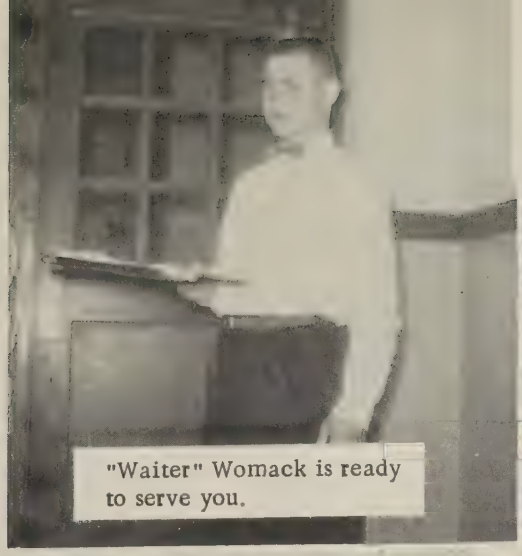
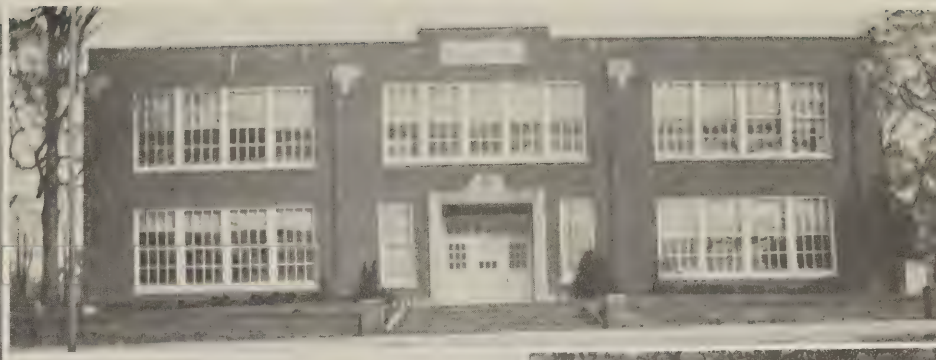
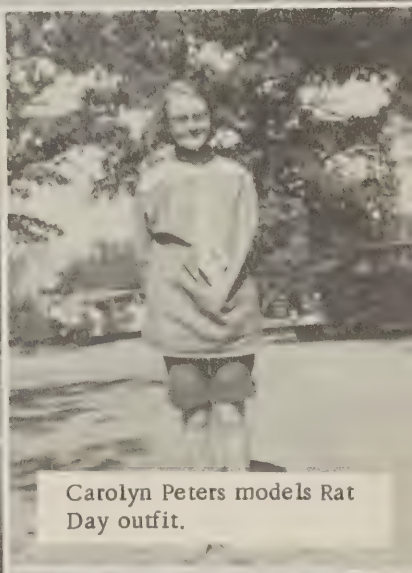

"Waiter" Womack is ready to serve you.

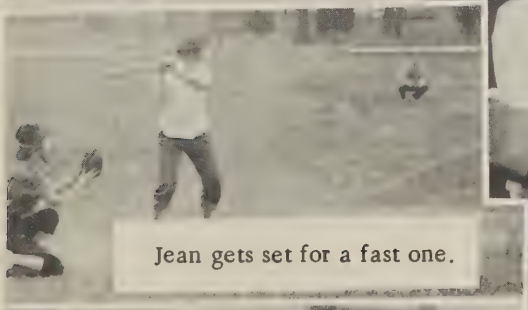


Mr. Smith enjoys a softball game.

S. I. P. A. Convention.

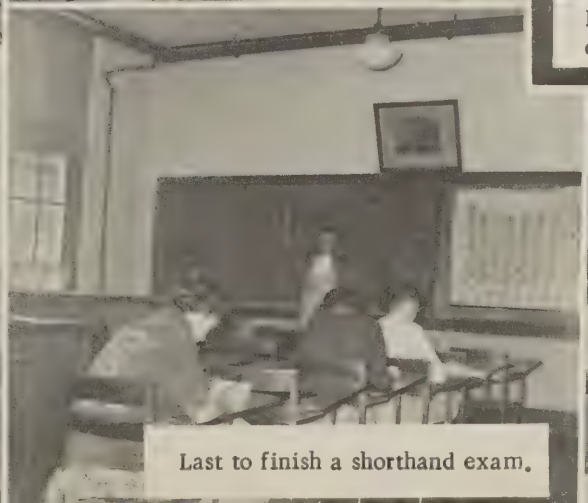

Carolyn Peters models Rat Day outfit.

Rats in Class


Jean gets set for a fast one.

Mrs. Hodges puts make-up on Taylor.

F. H. A. Rally.

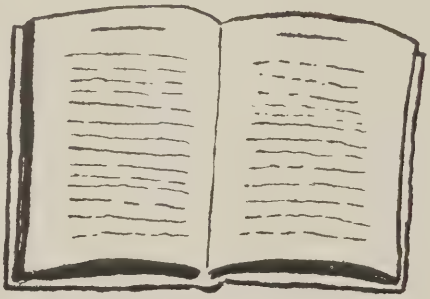

Last to finish a shorthand exam.

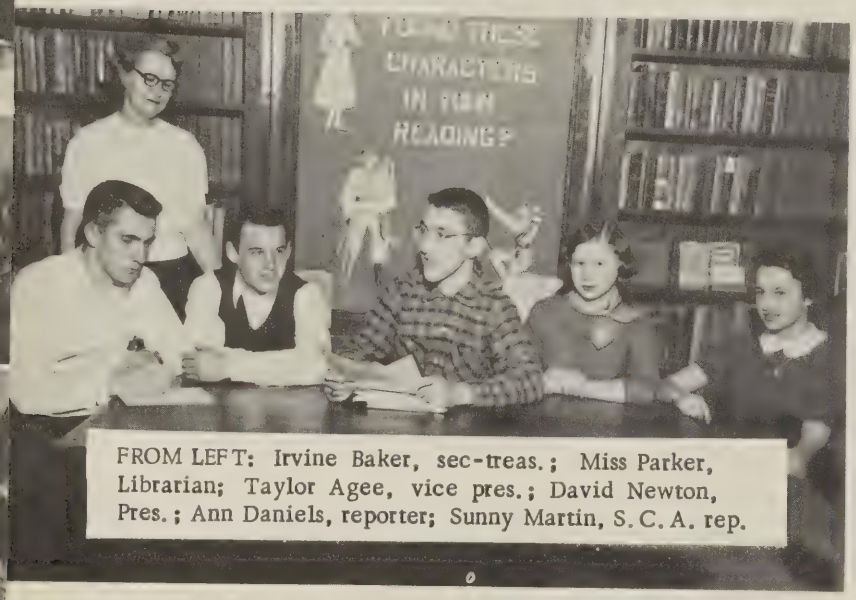
Marian finishes her bookkeeping.

LEFT: Ann and Nellie Mae sort and file magazines.

RIGHT: David places pamphlets and pictures in the vertical file.

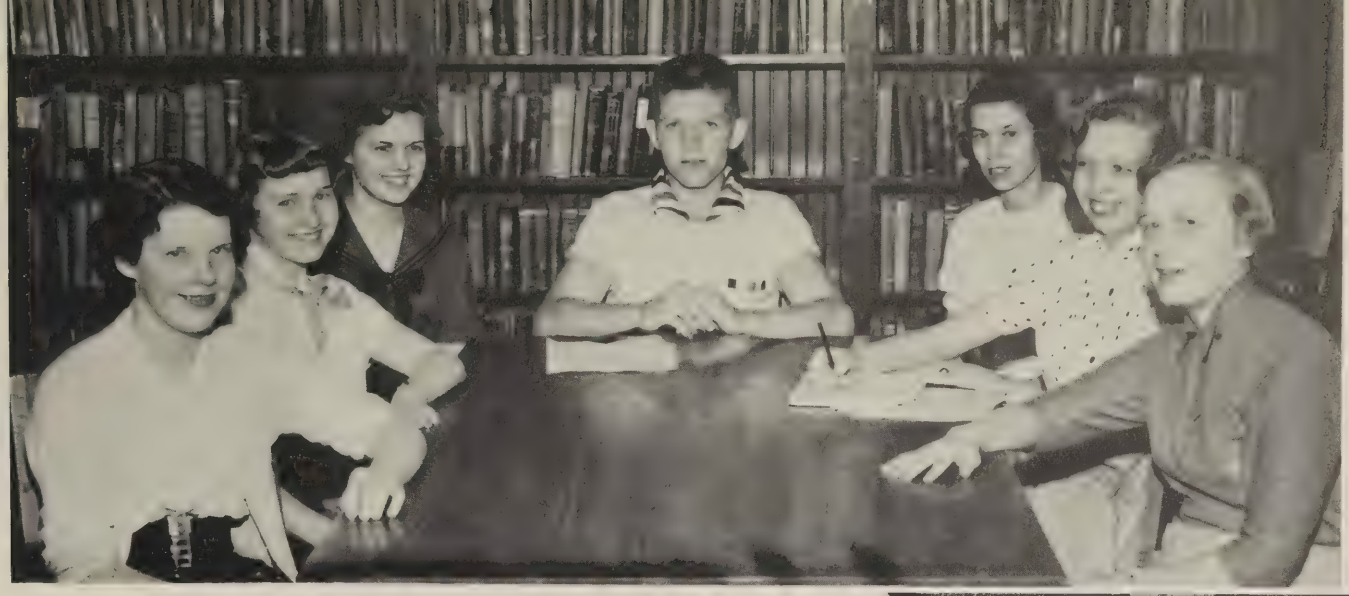
LIBRARY CLUB





FROM LEFT: Irvine Baker, sec-treas.; Miss Parker, Librarian; Taylor Agee, vice pres.; David Newton, Pres.; Ann Daniels, reporter; Sunny Martin, S. C. A. rep.

FIRST ROW: Shirley Palmore, Arline Crockett, Sunny Martin, Latane Baker. SECOND ROW: Barbara Lyon, Ann Daniels, Carolyn Dunn, Dorothy Guthrie, Nellie Mae Stonnell, Virginia Latham, Barbara Black, Gwen Foster. THIRD ROW: Taylor Agee, Irvine Marshall Baker, David Newton.



FROM LEFT: Drue Noel, S.C.A. representive; Arline Crockett, treasurer; Louise Johns, vice-president; Edward Robertson, president; Mrs. Lafoon, sponsor; Dorothy Guthrie, secretary; Marian Baldwin, reporter.

BETA CLUB

Louise Johns presents membership certificate to new member, Shirley Norman.

FIRST ROW: Judy Duncan, Jean Newman, Mable Cooke, Arline Crockett, Mrs. Lafoon, sponsor, SECOND ROW: David Newton, Louise Johns, Marian Baldwin, Frances Miles, Peggy Ford. THIRD ROW: Dorothy Guthrie, Edward Robertson, Patricia Joyce, Mary Vogel, and Drue Noel.

STANDING: Mrs. John Putney, director. FIRST ROW: Mary Alice Glenn, Shirley Palmore, Frances Miles, Edith Pleasants, Frances Varner, Pattie Holmes, and Joyce Oertel. SECOND ROW: Mable Cooke, Judy Duncan, Pat Joyce, Drue Noel, Mary Vogel, Jean Rowan, and Betty Jones. THIRD ROW: Lucille Dowdy, Arline Crockett, Peggy Ford, Penny Harrison, Ruth Wright, Nellie Jane Midkiff, and Jean Thompson. FOURTH ROW: Merle Seal, Jean Newman, Louise Johns, Judy Pleasants, Audrey Huddleston, Ruby Higgins, and Lorraine Elgin. FIFTH ROW: Dorothy Ford and Ann Daniel.

Mrs. Putney beats out the rhythm.

GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club girls find it hard to learn the words of the song.

CUMBERLAND PLAYERS

A tense moment in "I'll Leave it to You".

Stage crewman, Clay Latham, opens the curtain for the first act.

In the receiving line at the Parent's Night Reception were the officers and the Chapter Mother.

A mother chats with an F.F.A. boy, who served at the reception.

Various members took part in the Emblem Service.

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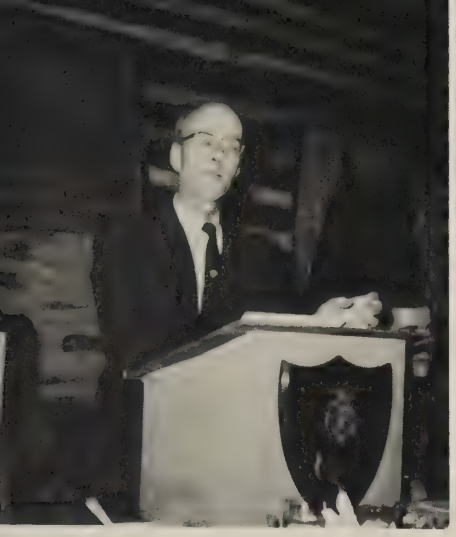
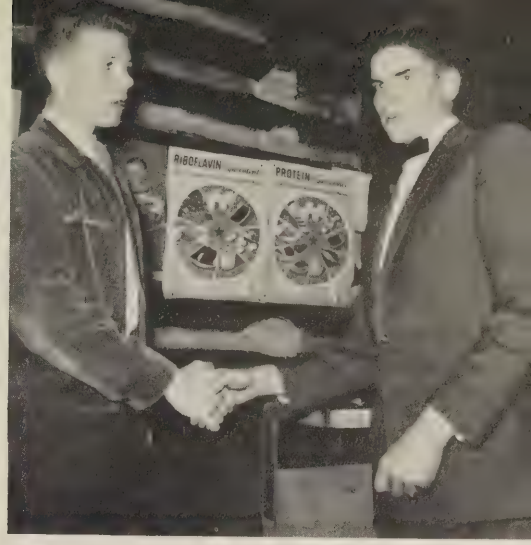


Dr. Earl Boggs, banquet speaker.

Barbara Martin, Chapter Sweetheart.



Edward Robertson presents Star Chapter Farmer Award to Nathan Holman.

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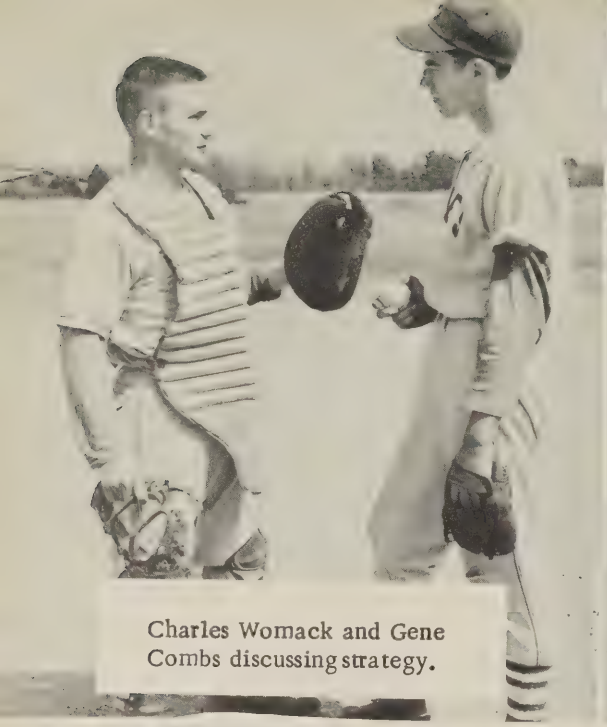
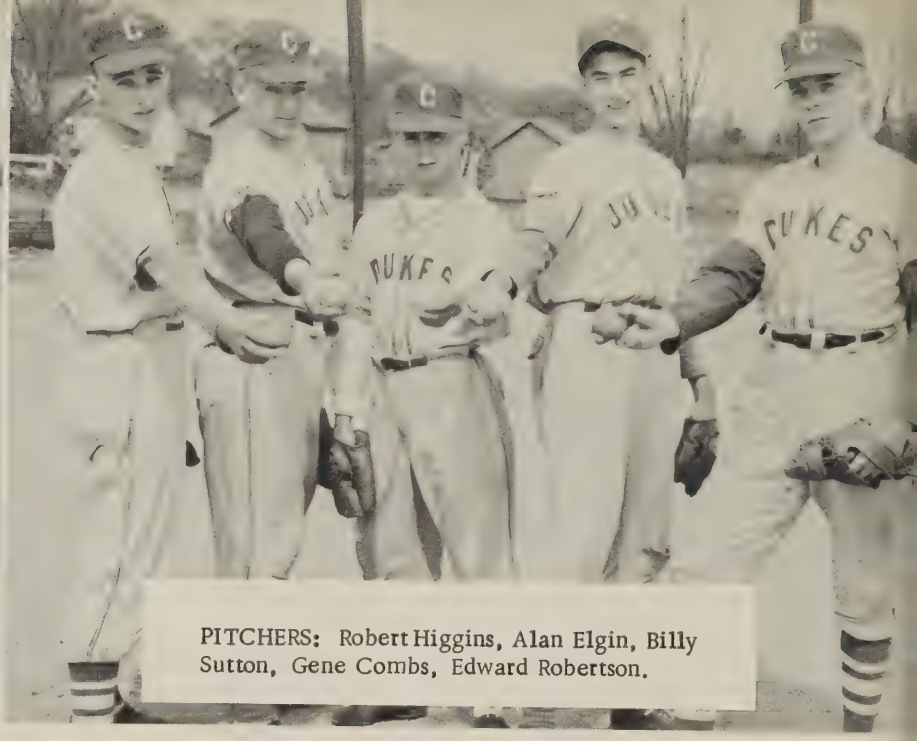


Charles Womack and Gene Combs discussing strategy.



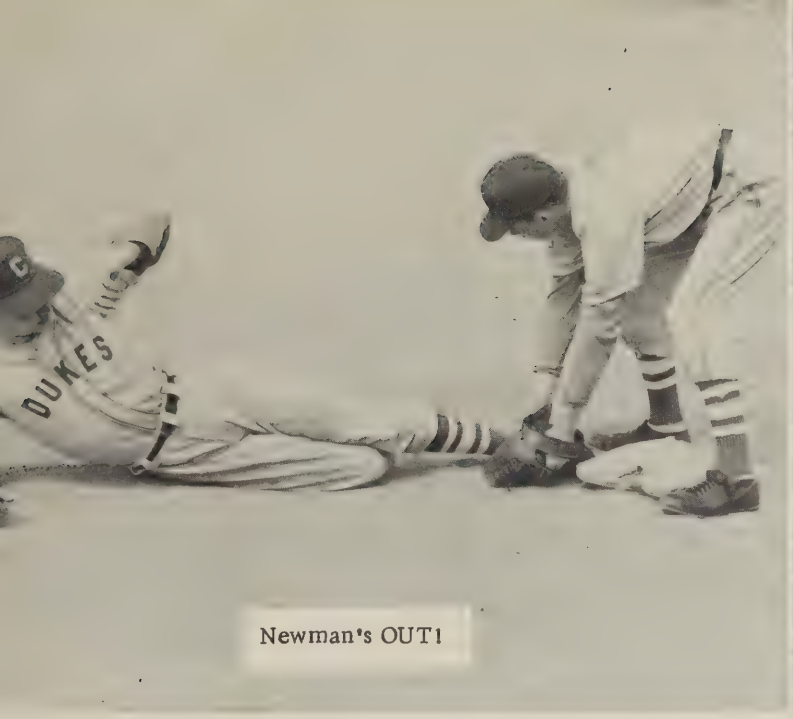
PITCHERS: Robert Higgins, Alan Elgin, Billy Sutton, Gene Combs, Edward Robertson.

BASEBALL

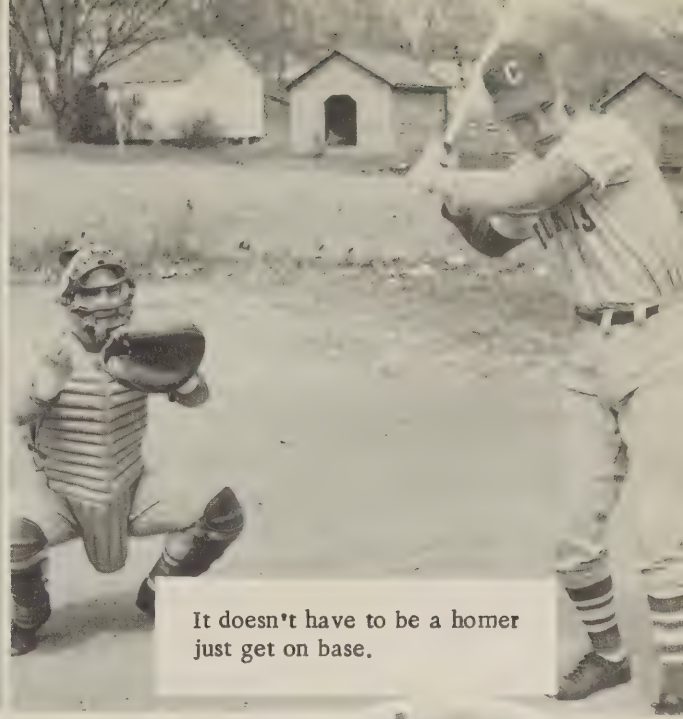
MANAGERS
Richard Matthews
and Eldridge Blanton

1956 SCHEDULE

April	3	Beaumont	7
April	4	Midlothian	5
April	7	Beaumont	7
April	10	Beaverdam	2
April	21	Beaverdam	2
April	24	Powhatan	7
April	27	Midlothian	5
May	1	Arvonia	2
May	4	Battlefield Park	0
May	8	Goochland	9
May	11	Powhatan	8
May	15	Arvonia	8
May	18	Goochland	8



Newman's OUT!

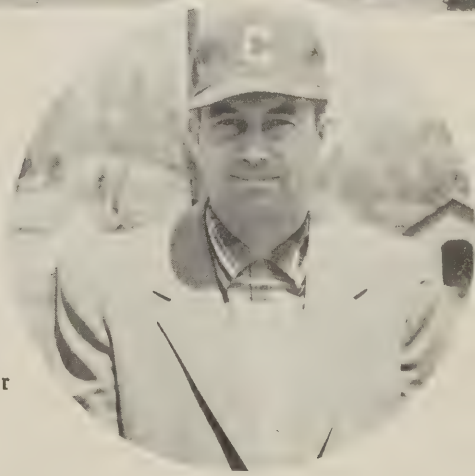


It doesn't have to be a homer just get on base.

BASEBALL

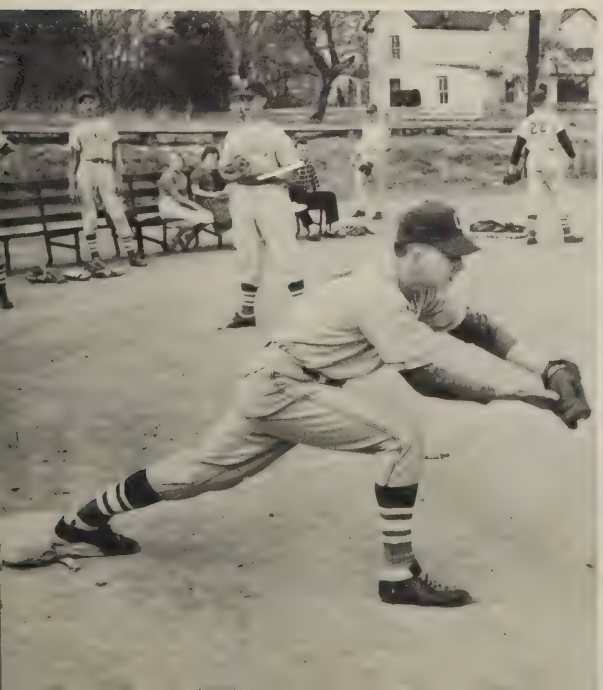
1956 SCHEDULE

Cumberland	15
Cumberland	10
Cumberland	11
Cumberland	9
Cumberland	12
Cumberland	3
Cumberland	6
Cumberland	14
Cumberland	5
Cumberland	3
Cumberland	4
Cumberland	7
Cumberland	0



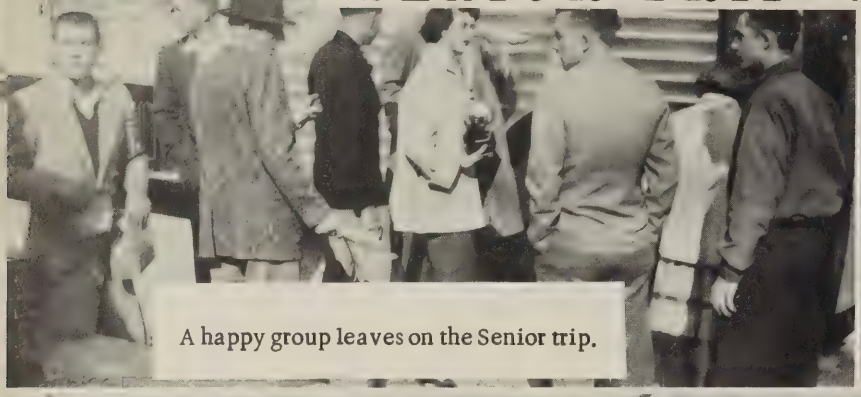
COACH
Mr. Vassar

White stretches to catch one.

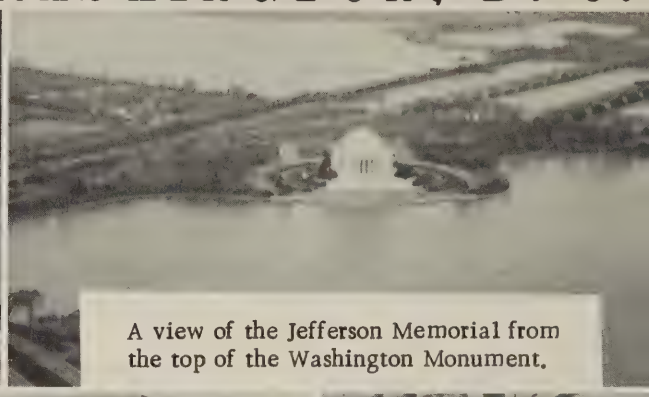


First team.

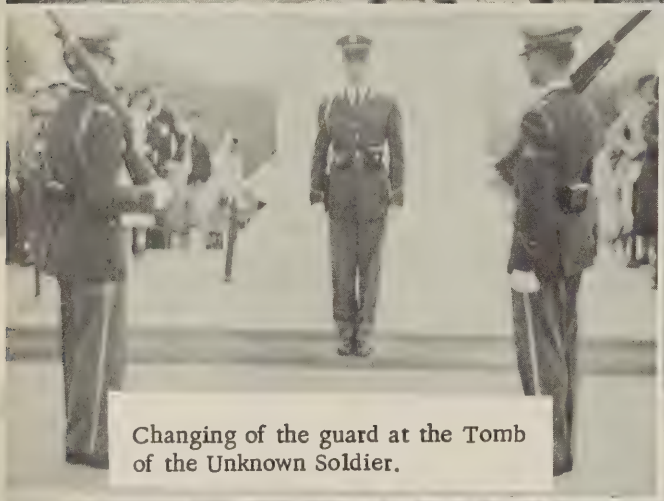
SENIOR TRIP-WASHINGTON, D. C.



A happy group leaves on the Senior trip.



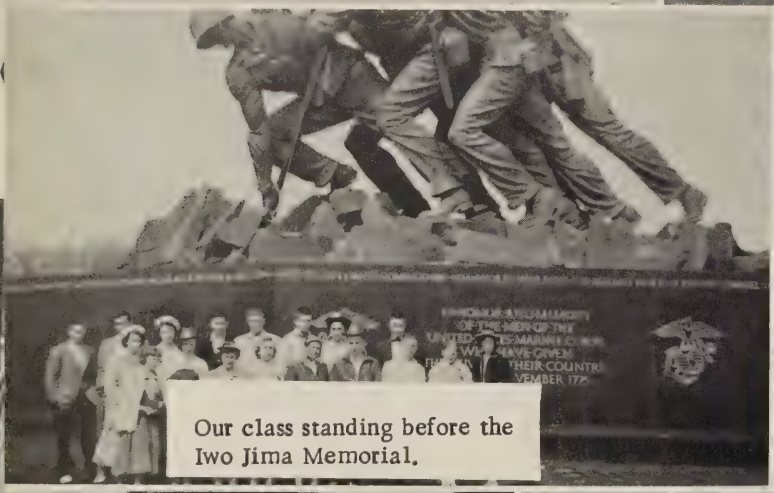
A view of the Jefferson Memorial from the top of the Washington Monument.



Changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The "ladies man" of the class and four girls on the Potomac river cruise.

Mr. Smith in one of his playful moods.



Our class standing before the Iwo Jima Memorial.

The group plans a tour.

Several of us in a silly mood.

Richard Matthews mimics "Watt" Abbitt.

Loyd Martin presents a gift to our driver.

KING AND QUEEN
Seniors, Nathan Holman and Arline Crockett, chosen by popular vote of high school students.

JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

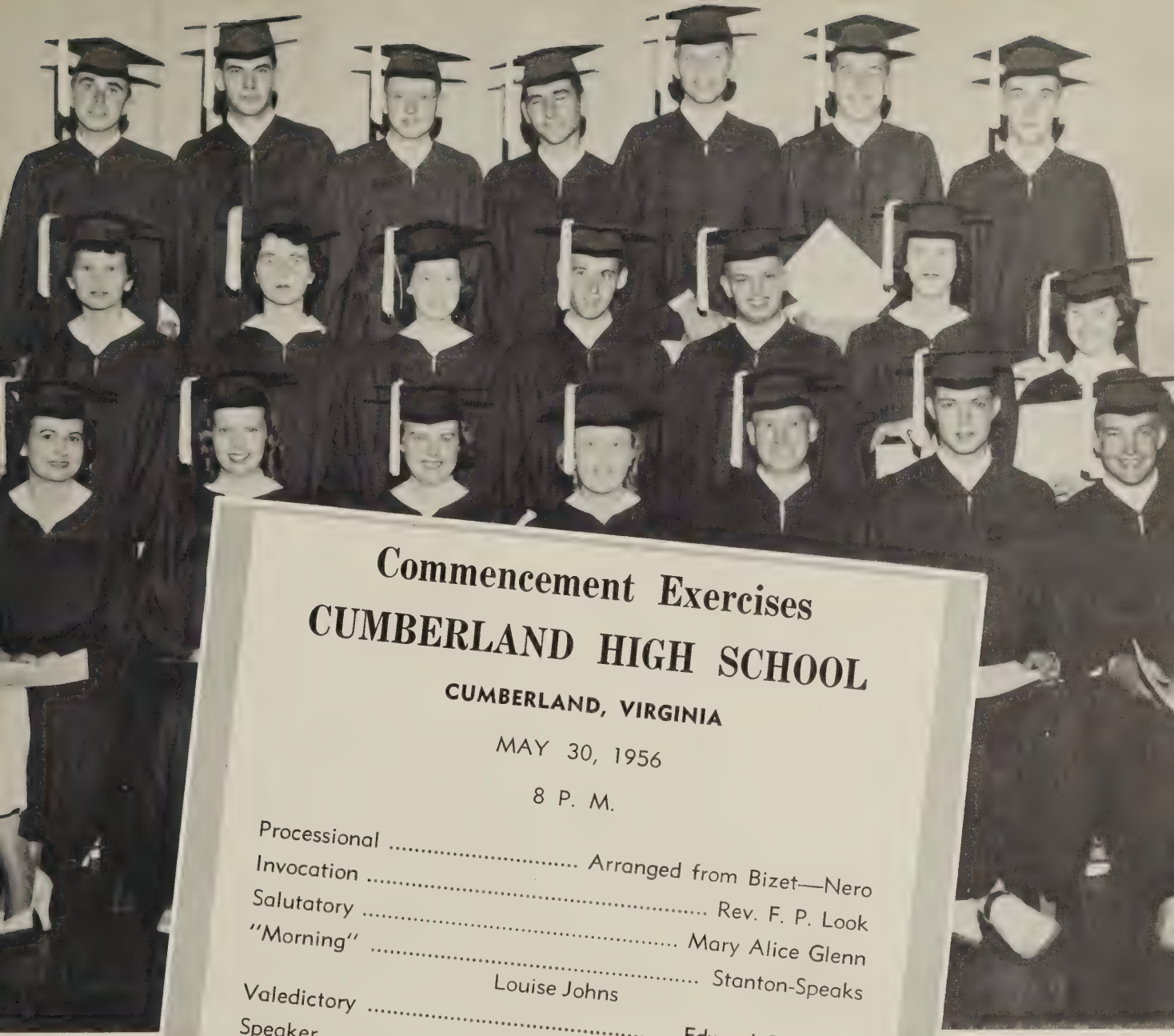
Commencement speaker, Dr. Earl Boggs of Longwood College.

Dr. Boggs chats with salutatorian, Mary Alice Glenn and valedictorian, Edward Robertson.

GRADUATION ACTIVITIES

AWARD WINNERS: SEATED: Richard Matthews, Marian Baldwin, Lloyd Martin. STANDING: Nathan Holman, Dorothy Guthrie, Edward Robertson.

HONOR GRADUATES: SEATED: Marian Baldwin, Arline Crockett, Frances Miles. STANDING: Dorothy Guthrie, Edward Robertson, Mary Alice Glenn.



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Salutatory ..... Mary Alice Glenn
"Morning" ..... Stanton-Speaks
Louise Johns
Valedictory ..... Edward Robinson
Speaker ..... Dr. Earl R. Boggs
Presentation of Diplomas ..... Mr. T. J. McIlwaine
Awards ..... Mr. E. Armstrong Smith
Benediction ..... Rev. F. P. Look
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Lloyd Martin, Jr.
Richard Mathews
Frances Miles*
Jack Newman
Shirley Palmore
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*Honor Graduate

BEST LOOKING
Dot Guthrie and Alan Elgin

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Peggy Ford and Lloyd Martin

SUPERLATIVES

MOST INTELLECTUAL
Arline Crockett and Ed Robertson

BEST ALL ROUND
Marian Baldwin and Richard Matthews

MOST DIGNIFIED
Shirley Palmore and Irvine Baker

SOFTBALL

1956 SCHEDULE

April	24	Powhatan	10	Cumberland	5
May	11	Powhatan	10	Cumberland	2
May	15	Worsham	8	Cumberland	4
May	22	Worsham	10	Cumberland	14

KNEELING: Janice Smith, Barbara Martin. SEATED: Dorothy Ford, Nancy Lang, June Thompson, Dorothy Matthews, Texa Ball, Margaret Johns, Peggy Ford, Mary Blake, Barbara Johnson, Jean Rowan. STANDING: Dorothy Guthrie, Barbara Black, Katherine Fahrner, Franeda Southall, Grace Murphy, Ann Agee, Faye Miles, Elizabeth Jackson, Mrs. Hodges, coach.

Harold Gary, our custodian, waters the boxwoods.

Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Budd serve us well-balanced meals each day.

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Richard Matthews, Alan Elgin, Mr. Sanderson, and Mr. Blackwell. ABSENT FROM PICTURE: Irvine Baker.

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